all required infrastructural facilities including highly skilled and professional manpower in abundance; and

(c) whether Govenrment would consider Bangalore as the launching board for such overseas investment promotions in Electronics as it has the best to offer that the industry needs?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRONICS AND DEPARTMENT OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. R. KUMARAMANGALAM): *(a) Yes, Sir.*

(b) The Government of India have no plans to invest in setting up infrastructure facilities under the EHTP Scheme as of now. Infrastructure facilities are being set up by the State Governments and private parties.

(c) No such proposal is under consideration of the Government of India.

Development of Software

1945. SHRI P. UPENDRA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Birla Science Centres at Hyderabad has developed a software to translate official correspondence from Hindi to Telugu;

(b) if so, what are the details of this software; and

(c) whether Government are encouraging development of such projects for translation of documents in Hindi from other major regional languages and English?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRONICS AND DEPARTMENT OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. R. KUMARAMANGALAM): (a) and (b) B. M. Birla Science Centre, Hyderabad is reported to have developed a software called "BIRLATRANS" which can translate Hindi official correspondence such as letters, notifications, circulars etc. into equivalent Telugu. The software works with the MS DOS operating system and Graphic Based Intelligence Script Technology (GIST) card.

(c) The Department of Electronics under its Technology Development for Indian Languages (TDIL) programme have initiated projects for the development of Corpora and Machine Translation System for major Indian laguages.

Wage negotiations in PSUs

@1946. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE:
SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have since evolved a policy for the next round of wage negotiations in Public Sector Undertakings; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT) WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY) (SMT. KRISHNA SAHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Under the new wage policy, the managements are free to negotiate the wage structure keeping in view and consistent with the generation of resources/profits by the individual enterprises/units. The Government will not provide any budgetary support for the wage increases and the respective managements will have to find the requisite resources from

@Previously Unstarred Question 775 transferred from 3rd May, 1993.

within their own internal generation. For certain PSEs which are monopolies or near monopolies or having an administered price structure, it must be ensured that increase in wages after negotiations do not result in an automatic increase in administered prices of their goods and services.

It has also been decided that the period of wage settlements shall be for 5 years and the revisions shall be subject to the condition that there shall be no increase in labour cost per unit of output.

Survey on foreign technology

@@1947. SHRI PARMESHWAR KUMAR AGARWALLA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether a survey has been conducted of the areas where foreign technology will help to boost the economy of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) what is the number of such projects that have so far been cleared by Government; and

(d) what are the details in respect of each of such projects?

@@Previously Unstarred Question 696, transferred from 3rd May, 193.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT) WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY) (SMT. KRISHNA SAHI): (a) to (d) Annex-III to the Statement on Industrial Policy, tabled in both Houses of Parliament on 24th July, 1991, lists out the high priority industries. The New Industrial Policy seeks to promote an industrial environment where the acquisition of technological capabilities receives priority and wherein the desired level of technological dynamism is injected in Indian industry. Accordingly, the Policy also provides that Indian companies will be free to negotiate the terms of technology transfer with their foreign counterparts according to their own commercial judgement.

Since the announcement of the New Industrial Policy, approvals have been given to 2468 proposals for foreign collaboration, till March, 1993. Of these, 1425 approvals are only for technology transfer arrangements. Sector-wise details of such technical collaboration approvals are given in the attached Statement.

Statement

Sector-wise Breakup of Foreign Investment and Technical Collaboration Approvals Accorded during the Post Policy Period.
(i.e. August, 1991-March, 1993)

Sector	Total Investment Approved (Rs. in millions)	No. of Approvals involving only foreign Technical Collaboration
1	3	4
A. Annex-III Industries:		
1. Metallurgical Industries	1,185.5	73
2. Electrical Equipment, Electronics etc. .	4,951.1	260